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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PSYCHOLOGICAL STRATEGY BOARD

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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For reasons set forth in the attachment, our investigation of the above subject has been divided into two separate studies. The first, having to do with the handling of those [REDACTED] who are now [REDACTED] is attached.

This first study has been prepared by the Board's staff with the assistance of departmental and agency representatives. It incorporates most of their suggestions made individually and as members of an inter-departmental panel which was organized pursuant to the Board's direction and which considered an earlier draft of the study.

All who have been concerned with the general problem of [REDACTED] agree that it is of great and immediate importance to improve the manner of their treatment. Failure to take adequate care of them jeopardizes a critical segment of our psychological efforts against the satellites and the Soviet Union. Conversely, adequate handling will directly strengthen these present efforts and will make possible the launching of new programs for the greater [REDACTED]

For these reasons this first study has been developed rapidly. Because of this and the complexity of the problem it may be that some of its parts have not been given as extensive interdepartmental examination as would have been possible in a more deliberate study. The staff is aware of this but feels nevertheless that in general the best available solutions are proposed to the many difficult problems which were encountered. We, therefore, hope that in recognizing the importance of immediate attention to the escapee problem the Board will overlook any imperfections in polish and in refinement.

It is recommended that at its next meeting the Board consider the attached study and adopt its recommendation.

Attachment.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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